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Siemens Recalls Type “QP” Plug-In Circuit Breakers and X-Press Packs

Toronto, ON – The Electrical Safety Authority is notifying the public that Siemens Canada Limited has announced a voluntary recall of the following products.

Name of Product: Siemens one pole and two poles plug in breakers, under Type designation “QP”. Siemens Canada Limited also sells combination packages of potentially affected QP type breakers and loadcentres, under designation X-Press packs.

Units: 70,000 breakers and 4,426 X-Press packs

Manufacturer/Importer: Siemens Industry Inc.

Hazard: Spring clips on mentioned Type “QP” plug in circuit breakers may break resulting in insufficient electrical connection. Over time, this may lead to excessive temperature, arcing or thermal damage. Such activity may, in extreme situations, lead to property damage, or serious personal injury, including death.

Incidents/Injuries: One reported in U.S.A, None reported in Canada.

Description/Models:

Only those Type “QP” breakers with catalogue (model) numbers **Q115, Q120, Q130, Q215, Q230 and Q250** that were assembled in Mexico are affected.

The QP type breakers assembled in Mexico can be identified by the black label on the front face of the breaker and the black and white label on the left side the

breaker. The Canadian manufactured type “QP” breakers which are not in the scope of this recall can be identified by a white front label and a white side label carrying the marking “Made in / fait au Canada”.

In order to identify affected type QP breakers already installed in loadcentres please refer to the Product Identification Sheet posted on the www.siemens.ca/breakerrecall website or call the Siemens Recall Hotline below. Do not remove breakers from a loadcentre unless this is done by a certified electrician!

Sold by: Siemens Canada Limited and affiliated distributors / retailers.

When was distributed: June through August 2010

Manufactured in: Mexico

Remedy:

End-customers that have the affected or potentially affected products should contact Siemens immediately for more information.

Consumer Contact: Siemens Recall Hotline 1-888-557-5588 or recall e-mail: q.recall.ca@siemens.com or recall website www.siemens.ca/breakerrecall

Remarks:

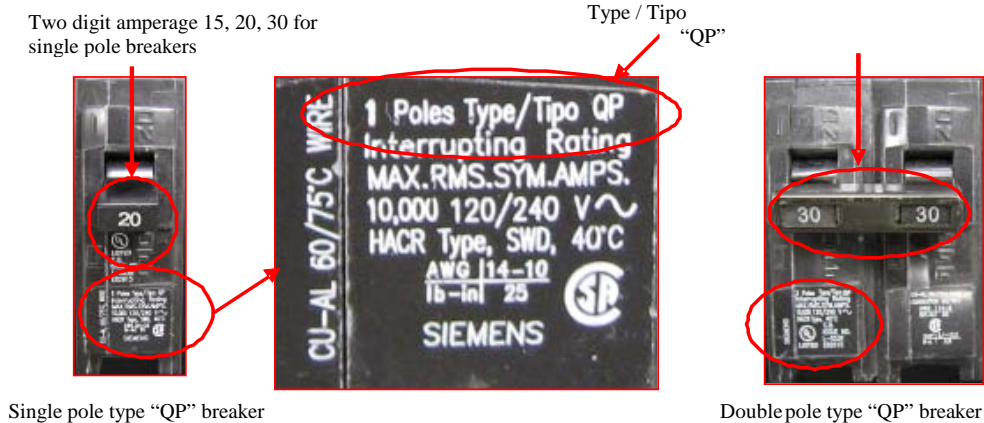
The recalled units are certified to Canadian Standards by CSA. For more information about CSA product certification process please visit: www.CSA.ca.

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Picture 1: Front view of type QP breakers with black label

Two digit amperage 15, 30, 50 for double pole breakers



Picture 2: Side view of type QP breakers with black and white label on the left side of breaker

